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Re: Application of: KIM, Myung-Hwa, et al.

Serial No.: 10/562,615

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For: TRICYCLIC DERIVATIVES OR

PHARMACEUTICALLY SALTS THEREOF,

THEIR PREPARATIONS AND

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS

CONTAINING THEM

Confirmation No.: 6138

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

August 31, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 29, 2009, the following amendments and remarks are provided. In addition, Applicants provide herewith a Request for Continued Examination with the required fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE

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